

The GAVEL

ALL-SCHOOL YEARBOOK!

The Seniors have announced that this year's yearbook is to be of especial interest to the entire college. Furthermore, it is to be produced at a price within the range of the student pocketbook; instead of the customary \$5.00, it will sell for \$3.00. This price is only possible upon the sale of two hundred copies. This puts the responsibility right up to the student body: Do we want a yearbook, or do we not?

Express your answer by buying a copy.

GAVEL ISSUED IN STATE OF SUSPENSE

This issue of the GAVEL is being published under very peculiar circumstances. The editor, assistant editor, business manager and the two star reporters (in short, the entire staff) have been temporarily suspended from good standing in the Gaveleer society. For that matter, so have a number of other prominent (all Gavs are prominent) club members.

Now just to allow any strange rumors that may be circulating among the student body concerning the situation in the Gaveleer Society, we wish to announce right now that there has been no rupture of any sort. The Gaveleers have a constitution, and, what means a lot more, the courage to live up to it. Upon taking careful stock, it was discovered that according to the constitution there many Gavs who were no longer in good standing. Therefore, all those members have been temporarily suspended and right now their chief worry is how soon they can get back in.

Is this house-cleaning a sign of weakness?

The Gavs all say no! It is the only club in school capable of living thru such drastic measures.

THE JUNIOR PROM A CLASSIC

The Junior Prom fully substantiated the extravagant recommendation that this publication gave it.

The library was decorated to represent an underwater scene - fishes and all. We feel sure that the dancers were supposed to be mermen and maids. Certainly no sea tale ever created more charming denizens of the deep than were in attendance that Friday night. Never did Triton produce more lovely music upon his 'wreathed horn' than did Fred Jolie and his band.

Nectar and ambrosia were served in the dining hall, and all the revelers went home with vine leaves (or sea-weed) in their hair.

W. A. M. BEATS SARGENT!

Now we're telling you that tho' Sargent may be the leading women's physical ed. college in New England they have nothing on F.T.C. when it comes to producing teams. "Peg" Solaine has already told us in detail how the girls gave them a good drubbing, so it only remains for the GAVEL to sing their praises.

For the girls to beat Sargent is similar to the men beating Springfield College in football or any other major sport. Or perhaps more like our quintet taking Holy Cross, and we're telling you that we hope their next game will be at home so that we'll have a chance to cheer them on.

GAVELEERS

If the party the Gaveleers are now planning for the school turns out to be as good as they think it will, it's going to be the climax of this year's social calendar.

Watch for further announcements!!

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EDITORIAL

Finis??

The editorial staff of the GAVEL has become decidedly discouraged. We have no complaint to make concerning the financial support, but the complete anathy with which our efforts have been received is beginning to make us think that perhaps our energy is being wasted. Our one encouragement has been the incessant question, "Where 's the GAVEL" when the publication has been delayed.

To illustrate:

1. We offered a five dollar prize for a freshman initiation plan and received three answers; hardly enough to present to the faculty member who put up the \$5.00.

2. We continually asked for student opinion and have so far received approximately five student missives that could be printed.

3. Last issue we printed a frank appraisal of the Freshman party. To date we have heard only discordant rumbles in response - so far no one has stepped out in the open to do their shooting. For a while we had hoped for a really hot issue this time, but are now sadly disappointed.

4. We very definitely feel that it is high time for the school, as a whole, to take an interest in creating an all-school paper. The editor should be appointed by the entire student body. He should have a staff chosen from the literary talent of the entire school, both men and women. The editorship should be a major school office, and all minor positions, minor offices. The school should furnish some room for an editorial room. In other words, the school paper should be placed on a sound business-like basis.

If the school feels that the GAVEL should be enlarged into a real school paper, we feel sure that Dr. Herlihy would be willing to give us an assembly in which

to make plans. We shall be interested in the response this editorial receives, for the present management has begun to feel that some sort of reorganization is necessary.

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NEW YORK DELEGATES ELECTED

The choice of the college for delegates to the New York Conference has proved to be Donald Tracey and Joannette Gwynne. The faculty sponsors will be Dr. and Mrs. Herlihy. The conference this year is scheduled for the second week in April, and we're sure that it will prove to be even more worthwhile than in the past.

In connection with the New York conference, there has been a great deal of curiosity concerning the reason for sending only two delegates this year instead of four. On Friday the men students remained after assembly to make sure that any misunderstanding would be cleared. The following figures were placed on the board by Dr. Herlihy:

All-School Parties

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|------|-------|----------|-----|
| 1932 | ----- | \$130.05 | (2) |
| 1933 | ----- | 95.40 | |
| 1934 | ----- | 78.60 | |

Expenses

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|------|-------|----------|-----|
| 1932 | ----- | \$149.05 | - 6 |
| 1933 | ----- | 136.48 | - 6 |
| 1934 | ----- | 101.79 | - 4 |

The notable deficit between money taken in and money spent has been taken care of by a fund of \$82.00 left the school for traveling expenses of students to just such affairs. Now, however, there is just \$78.00 available, which will be \$26.00 for each of the two students and \$26.00 for a faculty member. Since this is none too much, it is obviously impossible to send more than two students.

SUMMARY OF WINTER SPORTS

Basketball.

GAMES

| | |
|---------------|----------------------|
| F.T.C. --- 80 | Hyannis ----- 12 |
| F.T.C. --- 49 | Wor. Tech ----- 23 |
| F.T.C. --- 45 | Assumption ----- 33 |
| F.T.C. --- 73 | R.I. Coll. of Ed. 26 |
| F.T.C. --- 41 | Bay Path ----- 33 |
| F.T.C. --- 39 | Keene ----- 22 |
| F.T.C. --- 48 | New Britain ----- 37 |
| F.T.C. --- 55 | Bridgewater ----- 30 |
| F.T.C. --- 55 | Keene ----- 30 |
| F.T.C. --- 49 | Cushing ----- 35 |
| F.T.C. --- 50 | Deerfield ----- 30 |
| F.T.C. --- 37 | Poly Cross ----- 30 |
| Totals 621 | 341 |

F.T.C. average - 51.7 points per game!

PLAYERS

| Name | Games | Points |
|------------------|-------|--------|
| Laitinen, rf | 12 | 203 |
| Andrews, lf | 12 | 131 |
| Johnson, rg | 12 | 115 |
| Fillback, lg, c | 11 | 55 |
| Teittinen, c | 11 | 49 |
| Blasetti, rg, rf | 7 | 20 |
| Nelson, rf, lf | 4 | 16 |
| Turner, lg | 11 | 11 |
| McDowell, c, rf | 11 | 10 |
| Godek, rf | 9 | 6 |
| Jeffrey, lf | 7 | 4 |
| Forgues, lg | 8 | 1 |

These men will have to be replaced next year - they're leaving big shoes to be filled. Best luck to those who make the grade.

A BLAZE OF GLORY

That Holy Cross game is now history, but it will never be stale to those who glory in the success of their Alma Mater.

A crowded hall - a perfect frenzy of excitement. For a time it seemed as though victory was the one worthwhile thing in the universe. It was in our hands - we couldn't lose. Then they began to creep ahead.

"Hold 'em, team! Hold 'em!" It was a prayer.

Then Teittinen sprained his ankle. The very roof had fallen, but there was no need for despair. The team rallied - Fillback played like a helion, Johnson was a wonder man, and no one fell behind.

Then, miracles of miracles, Tait came back, seemingly no worse.

That settled it. The game was ours! Fitchburg State Teachers had taken Holy Cross.

HOCKEY

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|---------------|--------------------|
| F.T.C. ---- 1 | Cushing ----- 6 |
| F.T.C. ---- 1 | St. Anselms --- 10 |
| F.T.C. ---- 2 | Becker ----- 1 |
| F.T.C. ---- 3 | Cushing ----- 2 |
| F.T.C. ---- 1 | Lawrence ----- 0 |

In the first hockey season in the history of the school, our team won 3 out of 5 games. Not bad! Not bad at all!

PLAYERS

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|-------|--------------|
| Burns |5 goals |
| Godek |2 " |
| Shea |1 " |
| Savoy |" |

Bill Purcell played goalie; McNeil, Knowlton, Waring and Moore were defense; Norton, Godek and Savoy were forward - all returning next year for an even bigger and better season.

The players to be lost by graduation are Burns, student coach; Tom Carney, Don Tracey, Bob Hamilton, and John Shea.

Miss Florence D. Conlon, who is on leave of absence from the Art Department of our faculty for study at B.U. and other universities, has been elected to membership in the Alpha Gamma Chapter of Pi Lambda Theta, the national honorary educational sorority for women.

BASEBALL

If you want to get a glimpse of the sort of team that we're going to put on the diamond this year, just drop around to the cage some noon and watch Connors make Lee, Golden, and Spring do their stuff.

It looks like another unbeaten team for Fitchburg!

LIBRARY NOTE

In answer to many inquiries concerning the February and March issues of the American Mercury, Miss Hassell has informed your reporter that it is being reserved for use by the faculty for the time being.

ORANGE WINS BASKETBALL

The Orange won their first victory of the year when they defeated the Black in basketball in two games. The first game score was Orange - 33, Black - 29 with Alice Kyte starring with 18 points. In the second game Esther Evans sank them from all corners to give the Orange the game 25-21. Esther scored 15 points in this close game.

In the second-team game, the Black team won.

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BLACK LEADS IN POINTS

The Blacks are leading the Orange 250 to 100 in points for the year. The Black team has won Hockey, Soccer, Bowling, and Second Team Basketball while the Orange has copped only the basketball title. Come on, Orange, make this more interesting! Win that Volley Ball title! That is the coming activity.

The W.L.L. is holding dancing classes in the "gym". Perhaps they could help some of us fellows who do not know how to get around.

Owing to a lack of transportation facilities swimming will be dropped for the year. Oh well, our new "gym" will have a swell pool!

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SOPHOMORE J. H. CHAMPS!

From a team that lost every game except one last year to a team that won every game by a comfortable margin this year is a phenomenal change. That's the record the present Sophomore Grammar Masters basketball team has made for itself. Coach McDowell, Capt. McCaffrey and the members of the team can well afford to pat themselves on the back.

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MEMORAND.

We have been asked to draw special attention to April 15. Why, we do not know, but a group of energetic young students assure us that we will. ??????????

THE GAVEL RATTLES

What technique! But after all Hazel, is the front campus quite the place?

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Where's Homo? Ugh!

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Eleanor must have come to F.T.C. for a B.A. - and we don't mean Bachelor of Arts, do we Bob?

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We wonder if Maurice is only interested in the art.

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Fashion note: Dress shirts are not being crushed until after the dance this year.

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No, they're not diplomats, they are Mohawks.

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Edie Hill would like to know why they had shamrocks on the ice cream at the Gav-Hawk dance.

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Who is the most popular waitress in the dining hall. Some of the boys can't even eat.

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Another Library romance: This time Gerry is going intellectual.

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Just because the girls start to sing Hollis, you don't have to think that they are singing to you.

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Is it just about time for another explosion in another direction - or is this one just rumor?

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We are still wondering who will be the next victim to have the Measles! And what is keeping the girls immune?

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Then there are the slight rumblings preceding the dawn of a new romance - is it possible?

